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These ben

the ordynaũces, that the Emperour hath caused to be red and delared in his presence / to the states of his countrees of those partyes at theyr assemblynge to his magestye the. vii. day of Octobre / the yere of our Lorde. M. V. C. xxvi.

The whiche haue be publysshed through all the sayd countrees the. xv. day of Nouembre folowynge / aswell to the auoydynge of the Lutherayn secte / and other reproued sectes / as for the pourueyaũce of the dysordre of his Coyne / & ordres to be sette in the sayde Countrees.

BIBLIOTHECA BODLEIANA

Cum priuilegio Regali. af

Harles by the dyuyne clemency Emperour of the Romaynes euer Auguſt kynge of Germany/of Caſtyl/of Leon/of garnado/of Aragon/of Nauarre/of Naples/of Cecylle of Hailforke/of Hardayn/of yles of yndes/and mayn lande of the Occyan ſee/Archeduke of Auſtryche/Duke of Burgoyn/of Latherye/of Brabant/of Lembourg/of Luxembourg.&c. Erle of Flaũdres/of Artoys/of Burgoyn palentyn/of Henau/of Hollande of zelande/of Ferrette/of Hagnenault/of Namur.&c. Prynce of zuanie/Markys of the holy Empyre/lorde of Fryſe/of Salyns/of Malynes/of the Cytes/and townes of Vtrycht/&donerysſelt. And domynatour in Aſye/&in Affryke to all that theſe preſentes ſhall ſe/gretynge. For to Vnderſtande and eſchewe redreſſe the Errours and abuſyons cõcernynge our holy fayth lykely for to come in our countrees in theſe partyes. To the

abusyons beynge in our sayd countrees vpon the feate of coynes of moneys/ vpon the dyuersytees of customes that haue ben vsed. Of the abusyon of Notaryes and scrybes. Of ingratynge as well of vytaylles as of other marchaūdyses. Of bankerotes. Of vacabondes. Of drynkynges/ & dronkēnesses. Of the cōuayaunce of horses out of our sayd countrees. To the dysordre of araye agaynst blasphemers & opprobryers of our lorde god/ of the vyrgyn mary/ and of saynts wt great irreuerence to our mother holy Churche/ and of her cōmaundements in great dysestymacyon of our ordynauncs and to the great hynderaunces or interrestes of our subgectes. The whiche for to ordre/ and to adresse a good true/ and hole amyte & intellygence in our sayd countrees amonge & bytwene our subgectes/ We haue caused to propose to the estates of our sayd countrees/ and gyuen theym by wrytynge at theyr laste assemble before vs certayne poyntes and artycles/ and vpon the same to haue theyr aduyse

The actes or ordynaunce
the whiche they haue satysfyed. Lettyng
you to wyt that this aforesayd consyde-
red (seynge the sayd aduyse of the premys-
ses in our pryue counceyll typely tryed)
We contynuynge in our pourpose for the
honoure & reuerence of god our creatoure
and to the exaltacion of his fayth / to the
expulsyng and extynctyon of the luthe-
rayn sectes and other abused sectes to the
welth and profyte of the cõmen welth /
to the supporte and ease of our subgectes
from all wronges and oppressyons / to
theyr surete and rest / and for remedye to
the sayd abusyons aboue sayd / by the ad-
uyse of the knyghtes of our ordre / & of
many other good & notable per-
sones of our sayd countrees / the
whiche we haue for the same
assembled and conuocate:
And with great & type
delyberacion haue or-
deyned and statu-
ted these actes
folowynge.

¶ Charles.&c.

Tyrste as touchynge the Lutherayn sect & other reproued sectꝫ/that our ordynaũces conteyned ĩ our last lettres of placarde gyuen the.xiiii. daye of Octobre/the yere of our Lorde. M.v.C.xxix. vpon the abusyng of our holy catholyke fayth/and auoydyng the peruers sect of Martyn Luther and other reproued auctoures by our mother holy Churche/than and sythen publysshed in these sayd countrees and seygnouryes. And by vs reuewed in fourme and maner/as in our presence we haue this sayd day caused to be red to the Estates of our sayde countrees here assembled with vs to be obserued/kepte/and maynteyned accordynge to theyr fourme and tenoure and that the penalyties therin declared & put to the offender to be really and rygorously executed without remyssyon/dyssymulacyon or delay. And to the ende that none shall pretende ygnouraunce/

We haue wyll[illegible] and ordeyned our sayd ordynaunces to be publysshed thorowe all our sayd countrees and lordshyppes (in these costes) within all places where as Proclamacions ben wont to be done the.xv.daye of the nexte moneth of Nouembre. And fro that tyme euery.vi.moneth tyll by vs be otherwyse ordeyned.

¶ And as touchynge the act of Coynes and money/ we do ordeyne that the ordynaunce vpon the same reuewed in fourme and maner as we haue caused to be red to the sayd estates confermally at the laste ordynaũce the.x.day of Decembre the yere.xv.C.xxvi. rypely delyberate by thaduyse of all the estates of our sayd countrees/ of dyuerse other persones hauynge knowlege in feates of Coynes & moneyes / of the generalles or maysters of the sayde Coynes/ of the knyghtes of our ordre/ and of the chyef of our preuye counceyll/and of reasourers/to be in al poyntes and artycles obserued and kept And for bycause that no ꝑsone shall pre

tende ygnoraunce: We Wyll that it be pu
blysshed in al places/as is aforesayd.&c.

¶ And for remedy to be had in abusyõe
proceedynge of the dyuersyte of the custo-
mes of our sayd countrees/& to the incõ-
uenyences that by theym dayly ensue in
so moche as oftentymes dyuerse pure cu
stomes contrarye in one countree be su-
steyned and Veryfyed by dyuerse practy
cyens. And by the sayd meanes many of
oure subgectes do lese theyr ryght to the
great dysprofyte of the cõmen Welthe.
The defaute Wherof is that the sayd cu-
stomes be not approued and remaynyn-
ge in Wrytynge. We haue therfore ordey-
ned that the customes of all our coũtrees
in these costes Within. Vi. monethes en-
suynge shall be put in Wrytynge by the
offycers and men of la We in all the to W
nes of oure sayd countrees great & small
And eche of the same for the sayde to W-
nes/theyr sherysfes or baylyes/and all
other offycers i theyr to Wnes Where they
haue admynystracyon and rule respecty

uely to put the sayd customes in Writyng accorded in euery quarter: and to bryng them to our presence: and in our absence to our right dere and beloued syster the quene Regent for Vs to cause them to be Vysyted and dewely examyned. And Vpon the same to take aduyse of our prouyncyall coũceyllers/ and other as nede shall be/ & With good & type delyberacyon of counceyll to conferme and ordeyne Vpon the sayd customes obseruacyon of the same accordynge to equyte and reasõ And for the most profyte and cõmodyte of our subgectes in that behalfe.

¶ Of notaryes and scryueners.

AND to pouruey agaynste the faultes and Wronges done in our sayd coũtrees by Notaryes or comyn Wryters: some of them by symplenesse and ygnoraunce/ and other by delyberate dede to the great hynderaũce and losse of our subgectes/ and of the

cõmyn Welthe. We haue therfore enacted that from henssforth none shall be admytted in to that rowme / but well lerned men and of good fame / and suche as by examynacyon of the cheyfe men of our prouyncyall counseyl & Juges of euery countree shall be founde expertte / able / & suffycyẽt / and approued / and that it appere by acte of the sayde counseyll and prouyncyall Juges. And the sayde acte by the sayde notaryes (or they may exercyse the sayde rowme) shal be bounde to leue in the courte rolles of the sayd counseyll and to paye for euery acte onely .v. grotes of flaundres / and vpon payne arbytrary that none of both partyes pay or take more then the sayde .v. grotes for any acte. And We forbyd all other not examyned and admytted as is aforesayd to the rowme or offyce of notary or Wryter vpon payne aforesayd and to be dysamyted forever to exercyse that offyce nor other.

¶ Of Marchaundyses engrated.

And to vnderstãde the domages procedynge & that cõmeth of monopole or engratyng whiche dyuerse marchauntz and other artyfycers of our countrees in these costes/ vse dayly as well feates of vytaylles as other wares & marchaundyses in dyuerse maners. And to pouruey agaynst the vnlefull bargaynes that many do/ for theyr synguler profyte / to the great hynderaunce of good and faythfull marchaũtes our subgectes and other conuersaunte in our countrees here aboute & of the cõmyn welthe. We of our sentence & absolute power hath enacted for euer yt no College of marchauntes of these partyes nor straungers of any felawshyp/ theyr brokers/legers/ helpers/ nor lykewyse artificers nor other of what soeuer vacacyon faculte he be of/ medle to make statute/ordynaunce or couencyon tendynge engratyng or monopole to make bargaynes contractes or pactyons vn-

la wfully / To haue secrete knowleges / as byenge all one sorte of ware or mar= chaūdyse / and kepe it vnder them. And by that meanes to put & kepe other that haue nede therof in necessyte / & constrayne them to bye the sayd wares at an ex= cessyfe & vnresonable pryce / at the plea sure of the sayd regratours / and we de= fende and forbyd theym and all other to make and practyke all other lyke damp nable and peruycyous pactyons / contra ctes and abusyons to the domage of the cōmyn welth / vpon payne of banysshe= ment and confyscacyon of goodes / coun trees and places / or confyscacyon of pla ce / and other arbytratyly accordynge to theffect of the mysbede. And we forbyd all iuges / offycers / and to all our lyege men and lawyers / and all other of our sayde coūtrees: and to all them hauynge or pretendyng auctoryte to ordayne / ena cte / confyrme / or make any suche puycy= ons and vnresonable statut; concernyn ge suche monopole. Cōmaundyng them expressely that yf any such statutes com

afore them to be broken and abolysshed And of our parte We haue declared and do declare them none & of no valoure. And as moche as nede is We haue reuoked and fordone them by these presentes In gyuynge charge to all our pourueyours and eche of them in his behalfe that Where as our offycers or other be necligent to do and fulfyll this our wyll that in this case they procede agaynst them yt be necligent or delayers in doynge that that they ought to do Without dyssymulacyon as they fynde them: this to be doy at all tymes / and agaynst them that do constytute or conferme any petuycyons ordynaunce or statute aforesayd / or that dyrectly or indirectly do agaynst this present ordynaunce.

¶ Of derth of Vytaylles.

AND for to remedy the great derthe and dysordre that ben in these our countrees of Vytaylles as We vnderstande procedeth of engratyngres that

ben vsed and done to the great hurtes & hynderaunce of our subgectes and specyally of our poore cõmons and publyke welth of our sayd countrees/ We therfore wyll ordeyn and cõmaunde our offycers and men of lawe of our pryncypal townes of our countrees yt eche of them in his rowme respectyuely & within. iii. monethes nexte folowynge this day dotate & set pryse reasonable on all maner of vytaylles/ and theyr cõcepertes with in the sayd tyme to send in to the handes of the rulers/ coũceyllers/ and Juges of prouynces where they haue Jurysdyccyon/ and they to ouersee and agre to the same as they thynke beste/ and to sende it vnto vs or to the quene/ our sayd moste dere and best beloued syster by dyscryte aduyse of counceyll ther in to do as shalbe thought most behouefull.

¶ Agaynst banketoutes.

For to put remedye agaynſt bankeroutes / We haue ordeyned and enacted that al marchauntes men and Women and all other perſones What ſo euer interm̃yttyng in the feate of marchaundyſe the Which fraudulently or by Wronge beteth a Way the money / Wares or debtes of other marchauntes or perſones to be & ſhall be holden & reputed for cõmen theues / & ſuche We haue proclayꝛmed them . And lyke Wyſe all they that knoWeth the fraude and abuſyon of the ſayd bankeroutes / and doth meynteyne receyue / or hydeth them Where they be refuged eycept they ſhe We and Warne the chefe offyceers and la Wyers of the places Where they ben . And in lyke Wyſe they that do medle in the doynges of the ſayd bankeroutes or in theyr abſence do lede the trayne of occupyenge With them by fela Wſhyp or other Wyſe . And ſemblably they that dyſſymule or fayne them ſelfe credytours of the ſayd bankerout̃ and that With them ſhall Vſe to frequẽt

transportes & symulacyone/or in what
so euer maner do them assyst or helpe to
the conueyaunce of theyr fraude and de-
ceyte. And al the aboue named and eche
of them We haue priuatyd fro the fraū-
chyse/surete/and lyberte of all townes/
boroughes/and other places priuyleged
with fraunchyse. Also We ordeyne that
the sayd banketoutz: theyr helpers & assy
stentes aboue declared yt shalbe foūde &
knowen for such that for refuge do redra
We them in to townes/boroughes or other
priuyleged placz what soeuer none excep
te yt theyr goodz by them thyther brou-
ght or caused to be had thyther to be ta-
ken out without preiudyce. Albeit yt the
sayd townes/boroughes and other pla-
ces be fraūchysed & priuyleged in other
causes. And that the sayd banketoutes a
fore declared and theyr complyces after
that they shalbe knowen/taken/and at-
taynted for suche as theues and robbers
of the goodes of the cōmyn welthe to be
punysshed without fauoure or delay to
the example of all other. And that the

goodes transported and conueyed by the
sayd banckeroutes and the felowes to be
put in sure kepyng to the behofe of the cre
dytours as belongeth to reason. And yt
the wyues of the sayd marchauntes that
maketh banckeroutes/theyr husbādes be
ynge present or absent haue occupyed or
dynaryly or cōmonly with marchaūdy/
se and kept shoppes eyther in byenge or
sellynge to be bounde and holden for to
answere or make good for theyr husban
des debtes made and contract syth theyr
maryage. And moreouer we wyll and
ordeyne that al marchaūtes men or wo
men that by cawtele or fraude to begyle
theyr credytours absent them selfe from
our countrees by the space of .xl. dayes/(t
be warned by cōmyn cryes at the place
of theyr abydynge to retourne in to oure
sayd countrees within .xl. dayes after to
content theyr credytours/ that than they
at the ende of sayd .xl. last dayes and all
banckeroutes sygyptyues and theyr cōply/
ces aboue declared attaynte of the same
as is aforesayd to be banysshed for euer

out of our coũtrees and lordshyppes and neuer after to retourne. And also declare all and What soeuer theyr bargaynes done this by symulacyon or cyrcũuencyon and fraude to be none & of no Value. And We Wyll that all the credytours of the sayd banketoutes and of the complyces and other so fledde to come and porcyon lyke to deuyde and take vpon the goodes of the sayd banketouts that may be recouered a mare the.li. Without pferẽce. Not Withstandyng yt any of the sayd credytours chaũce to come afore another for to season vpon the goods of the sayd banketoutes and they fela Wes so that it be in a pryuyleged place. And nat Withstandynge the customes statutes/ or pryuyleges of the sayd places/ yf they haue any/agaynst the Which in any Wyse We do not meane nor Wyll the causes aboue sayde hauynge place/and as ferforth as nede shall be / We haue and Wyll derogeby these presentes.

Of Vacabondes.

The actes or ordynaunce

As touchynge Vacabondes we wyll ordeyn that our ordynaunces last specyfyed i our lettres of placarde proclaymed in all our countrees shall be obseruyd and the penalties enacted and set to be executed agaynst the transgressours without dyssymulacyon or delay. And that no psone take ygnoraunce in them to be newly puplysshed the .xv. day of the next moneth of nouembre/and from thense forewardfrom. vi. monethes to. vi. monethes tyll we haue otherwyse ordeyned.

¶ And for bycause that psently the pore people encrease in these our present countrees in ouer greatter nombre then in tymes paste / & that by experynce they are suffred all indyfferentlye to begge and aske almesse many fautes and abusyōs ensueth bycause they gyue them selfe to ydlenesse/ whiche is begynnynge of all euylles leuynge therby them selfe & chyldren to do any handy crafte or other style wherby they myght gette theyr lyuyn

ge. And consequently applye them selfe to wretched and dampnable lyuynge & theyr doughters to pouerte and vnhappynesse: and to all wyckednesse & vyces And though that they be yonge and lusty of body yet withdraw the they by great importunyte that that shuld be delt other wyse to aged / sycke / impotent / & them that be in great necessyte. And afore our departynge from these countrees to reme dye and sette ordre in the cõmyn welth. And ouer al that poore / sycke / and other nedy and not able to gette theyr lyuyng may be socoured and susteyned to the honoure after the ordynaunce of almyghty god our creatoure by very loue & charyte: We haue ordeyned and statuted this that folo weth.

Fyrste that neyther mã nor womã put them selfe to aske or gette almesse be nyghte nor day / openly / nor cõmynly / couertly / nor secretly / in churches or stretes / in ho wses nor before them in any maner What so euer vpon

payn in doyng the contrary for the fyrste tyme to be emprysoned With breed and Water at the dyscressyon of our offycers and Justyces/men of la We or other persones that shall haue charge of this presente acte Where as it happeneth. For the seconde tyme at the dyscressyon aforesayde. Except fro this and reserued the relygeous man/dyent persones/prysoners/ and Lazars Whiche maye gette theyr almesse in theyr accustomed maner. The sayde Lazars to haue theyr hattes and Wyde longe clokes and other tokens as they oughte. On condycyon that Whan they make theyr Water they to go from the people as farre as they maye or can on payne to be punysshed as it is aforesayde With breed and Water.

Also that no straungers forayns shall demaunde almesse on lyke payn and correccyon. Sauf them that be honest and not Wont to bycke & lewde passynge theyr Way by pylgrymage or other deuout Way may lodge at

hospytalles and masonde ws one nyght onely vpon payne aforesayde. And to be receyued by the maysters or maystres/ ses of the sayde hospytalles they shall be bounde to recouer and presente them ta/ ken fro the offycers or deputyes at the cō daytyng of the charyte of the places whe re they wolde lodge.

And that no poore folke shal passe fro to wn to to wn or fro vyllage to vyl lage for to dwell or take resydence vpō lyke payne. But yf by chaunce of warre of flodes myschefe of fyre or other incon/ uenyence they be cōmen to pouerte / and that duely they make certyfycate to them may be mynystred and alowed lodgyn/ ge or howse. And other wyse not. And as for poore people nowe beynge in our sayde countrees and haue ben resydent one yere they may abyde in the same esta te as they be & haue part of the almesses that ben or shall be ordeyned without go ynge to begge openly or secretly as is a/ bouesayde.

Also that eche of them shal kepe theyr chyldren great and small from beggynge or askynge of almesse vpon payne aforesayd. And the sayde chyldren to be correct with roddes and otherwyse at the dyscresyon of the sayd offycers or mē of lawe of the places where they come.

¶ And to take all the offenders of oure sayde ordynaunces and deffences afore sayde there shall be ordeyned and deputed in euery towne and vyllage by the offycers and men of lawe/one or two sergeaūtz or mo yf nede be after the bygnesse of the places.

¶ And to the sustentenaūce of pore seke and other nedye persones not able to get theyr lyuynge/beynge resydent or dwellynge in townes or vyllagz of our coūtrees / we ordeyn that all the charytees tables of poore hospitalles: brotherhedes and other that haue obytes and distrybucyons of prebendes and almesses be made one cōmyn purce to be dealed to poore

people / by the aduyse of the maysters & rulers of the sayd tables of poore hospytalles and brotherhedes / With them that the offycers and men of lawe in euery towne / parysshe / or vyllage shall depute and cōmyt to the behouse of the charyte in the maner hereafter declared / Sauf that the almesses founded for spyrytuall persones as mandyentes and other shall be deuyded at the ordre of the founders.

Also fromhensforewarde in euery parysshe churche of the townes & vyllage of our countrees shall be set tronckes and blockes to put in the secret almesse of good people. And the said blocks and tronckes to be shet with thre keyes of the whiche the parysshe preest shal haue one the men of law one / & the thyrde to hym or them yt are cōmytted to deale the said almesse / for to take out the sayd money that they fynde there whan they thynke best tyme. And moreouer there shal be deputed in euery parysshe churche by the offycers and men of lawe there an honeste

many or two to gather for the poore folke in the sayde churches/ones or twyse in a weke/or as often as they shall se nedeful And also the sayd deputyes of euery parysshe shall go ones in a weke or oftener to the howses of the dwellers & aske almesse for the relyef of poore people. And as well the sayd deputyes that so gather the almesse as they y^t deale it to the pore shall be bounde to yelde accompte euery moneth of theyr receptȝ: and lyenges out to the offycers/ men of lawe or theyr assygnes in a cõmyn place in the presence of all them y^t wyl com thyther to here it.

And for to rule and conduict this werke of charyte there shall be elect and chosen by the offycers and men of lawe of the townes and vyllages certayn persones of the best estates or qualytes. The whiche chosen and deputed/ we requyre and ordeyne that for the loue of god and perfyte charyte to accept the charge and to kepe the ordre and rule to them gyuen And that they so chosen and electe maye

take and cõmyt a receyuour vnder them to kepe perfyculer accompte of the sayde almesses and depẽdentes or belongyng. And they so cõmytted shall or cause to make dylygent inquery of the nombre/ estate/qualyte/& condycyon of the poore people eche in theyr quarters/of what oc cupacyon & aege they be of/of theyr charge of chyldren and what gaynes they haue or may make.

AND they so cõmytted i euery parysshe shall make or cause to be made regy/ stres/and in the same clerely wryte the effect of theyr inquery/that is to wyt the nombre of poore folkes in euery house/& the porcyon of money nedefull to them a boue theyr gaynes in regarde of theyr fa/ culte/necessyte/and charge.

ALso the officers and men of lawe by the aduyse af the chyef & honest men/ shall deuyse to gather in one cõmyn purse all the almesses of what sorte so euer they be: for to deale the money weekely in

his paryſſhe to the nōbre of the poore fol
kes at the dyſcrecion of them ſo cōmytted
Be it in money/brede/wood/clothynge
or other wyſe alwaye by them regarded
the qualyte & cōdycyon of the ſayd poore
folke. And to gyue no money to dronker
des/ydle folke/gamners/hazarders/nor
other lyke. But brede/wood/clothynge/
& other neceſſaryes to maynteyne them i
theyr houſholdes. And the ſayd ykl dyſ-
poſed of theyr perſones ſhall be conſtray
ned to worke & to brynge theyr gaynes
home to theyr howſes vpon payne to be
put from the almeſſe of the ſayd purſe &
of other penaltie as ſhall be thought ac-
cordynge.

Alſo the pryſoners/ſycke folkes/ and
other that can not go out of theyr hou
ſes or lodgynges/ and women in chyld-
bed ſhall be vyſyted and holpen/& pour
ueyed with the almeſſe of beddes/ſhetes
and couerlyddes/of meates/fewell/and
other nedes. And in lyke wyſe orphans
and chyldren that be foundlynges ſhall

take and cōmyt a receyuour vnder them to kepe pertyculer accompte of the sayde almesses and depēdentes or belongyng. And they so cōmytted shall or cause to make dylygent inquery of the nombre/ estate/qualyte/ & condycyon of the poore people eche in theyr quarters/of what occupacyon & aege they be of/of theyr charge of chyldren and what gaynes they haue or may make.

And they so cōmytted ī euery parysshe shall make or cause to be made regystres / and in the same clerely wryte the effect of theyr inquery/that is to wyt the nombre of poore folkes in euery house/& the porcyon of money nedefull to them aboue theyr gaynes in regarde of theyr faculte/necessyte/and charge.

Also the officers and men of lawe by the aduyse af the chyef & honest men/ shall deuyse to gather in one cōmyn purse all the almesses of what sorte so euer they be: for to deale the money wekely in

his paryſſhe to the nōbre of the poore folkes at the dyſcrecion of them ſo cōmytted Be it in money/brede/wood/clothynge or other wyſe alwaye by them regarded the qualyte & cōdycyon of the ſayd poore folke. And to gyue no money to dronkerdes/ydle folke/gamners/hazarders/nor other lyke. But brede/wood/clothynge/ & other neceſſaryes to maynteyne them i theyr houſholdes. And the ſayd yll diſpoſed of theyr perſonces ſhall be conſtrayned to worke & to bryngte theyr gaynes home to theyr howſes vpon payne to be put from the almeſſe of the ſayd purſe & of other penaltie as ſhall be thought accordynge.

Alſo the pryſoners/ſycke folkes/ and other that can not go out of theyr houſes or lodgynges/ and women in chyldbed ſhall be vyſyted and holpen/& pourueyed with the almeſſe of beddes/ſhetes and couerlydes/of meates/fewell/and other nedes. And in lyke wyſe orphans and chyldren that be foundlynges ſhall

be noury ſſhed by the ſayd almeſſe.

AND that the chyldren of pore folkꝭ yᵗ before this preſent ordynaunce were Vacabondes kyuynge by beggery / ſome of them ſhall be ſet to ſcole / and other to lerne occupacyons / or other feates / or to ſerue honeſt folkes. And they that lerne occupacyons / ſhall vpon ſondayes and holy dayes lerne theyr Pater noſter. theyr beleue / and the cõmaundementes of the Churche of the ſcole mayſter that ſhal be therfore ordeyned / And he ſhal lede them or cauſe them to be led euery ſondaye to maſſe / to the ſermon / & euenſonge. And to the ende that the ſayd chyldren may be more apte to ſerue & lerne / they that ben cõmytted to do the ſayd charyte ſhal puruey them of raymentꝭ and other thyngꝭ behouefull / and to cauſe them to be clenſed from all fylthyneſſe / and heale them of all theyr diſeaſes / as ferforth as the almeſſes maye bere. And the offyceers and men of lawe wᵗ the ſayd cõmyſſyoners to deale and ordre the ſayd dedes of charyte

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te as in theyr conscyences they shall thynk beste in the same.

AND that all the poore people kyuynge of the sayd almesse and charyte haue and bere a marke vpon theyr gownes/ at the ordynaunce of them so amytted.

ALso that all curates/ and prechers in theyr Sermons and herynge of confessyons in makynge of testamentes/ & orderynge of laste wylles/ to the good mayntenaunce and forthcrynge of this ordynaunce and werkes of charyte shall do the beste of theyr deuoure to exhorte/ induce/ & moeue the people therto/ to gyue and departe with theyr goodes.

¶ And yf the poore folkes relcued with the sayd almesse do cõplayne to the sayd curates or prechers/ or to other/ that the sayd almesse is not done to them duely/ the sayd curates prechers and other to take no lyght credence of them/ but to comforte them with meke wordes and sende them to the ordereres of the sayde almesse

be nourysshed by the sayd almesse.

And that the chyldren of poore folkes yt before this present ordynaunce were vacabondes lyuynge by beggery/ some of them shall be set to scole/ and other to lerne occupacyons/ or other feates/ or to serue honest folkes. And they that lerne occupacyons/ shall vpon sondayes and holy dayes lerne their pater noster. their beleue/ and the cõmaundementes of the Churche of the scole mayster that shal be therfore ordeyned/ And he shal lede them or cause them to be led euery sondaye to masse/ to the sermon/ & euensonge. And to the ende that the sayd chyldren may be more apte to serue & lerne/ they that ben cõmytted to do the sayd charyte shal puruey them of raymentz and other thyngz behouefull/ and to cause them to be clensed from all fylthynesse/ and heale them of all their diseases/ as ferforth as the almesses maye bere. And the offycers and men of lawe vnto the sayd cõmyssyoners to deale and ordre the sayd dedes of charyte

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And we forbyd yᵗ none what so euer he be take on hym from hensforth to lodge any of the sayde bybloures or ydle women beggers but one nyght oonly vpon payne to forfeyt thre carolus of golde/the thyrde to the accuser/and the reste to the profyte of the almes of the charyte.

Also we defede all them that by themselfe/theyr chyldren or other do persuer or receyue pte of the almesses of charyte fromhensforth to go or haunte tauernes or cabarettes/or other lyke places. Nor the play at caylles/bowles/& other games forbodden vpon payne atbytrayre. Sufferynge them somtyme for recrea

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And to the ende that this present werke of charyte may be obseruyd & kept for euer to the honour of god / and relyef of poore people we haue cōsented ordeyned and graūted to all our offycers and men of lawe: and them that be cōmytted to the sayd dedes of charyte throughe all our countrees / eche of them respectyuely in the place of theyr admynystracyon yt at all tymes and as often as nede shall be to fulfyll amplyfye and make better this present ordynaunce by newe statutes whiche they shall perceyue and knowe to serue & be profytable to the welth: fortheraunce / maynteynynge / and augmentacyon of the sayd charyte.

¶ Agaynst dysordynate drynkynge.

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That they that kepe brydales in all our coũtrees and lordshyppes/shall not byd but theyr next kynsfolkes and frendes on both partyes / to the nombre of.xx. persones at the most. And yt the feast of the sayde weddynges shall not last more then the pryncypall daye/and the nexte day tyll after noone / Vpon payne to be forfeyted by them that do the contrary / as well they that kepeth the weddynges as they that cõmeth ĩ more nombre and be not of the nexte kynsfolke. And they that be there longer than it is sayde / for eche one of them.xx.carolus of golde.

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fende them to take it. And lyke wyse we forbyd theym that ben desyred to be godfathers or godmothers to gyue them any thynge. Dy payne to forfeyt aswell the gyuers as the receyuers / at euery tyme that they do so the thynge presented & receyued / and the double of the worth therof excepte it be to the chyldren of poore & myserable nedy persons. At whose chrystenynge the godfathers & godmothers / for goddes sake may gyue theyr almesse at theyr pleasures without mystakynge or offence.

¶ Agaynst blynde hosteryes.

That from henssorth within our sayd countrees and lordshyps none shall kepe tauernes / typplynges / or lodgynges in by place out of cõmyn stretes and hygh wayes out of townes / vyllages: or hamlets. Dy payne to rẽne in forfeyture. xx. carolles of golde doynge to the contrary. And they that lodge

or shall drynke in the sayd cabarettes by wayes to forfeyt. vi. golden carolles at euery tyme so doynge.

¶ Tauernes to be shet on sondayes.

That frohensforth none of what estate or condycyon he be of presume to set people in tauerne or cabaret on the sondayes/ & other holy dayes cōmaunded by the churche / nor for to drynke at hye masse tyme/ or euensonge. On payne that they and euery of them/ at euery tyme so doynge to pay amendes of. lx. grotes of the money of Flaūdres.

¶ Of manslaughter by dronken folke.

And for to set remedy to the great nombre of māslaughters done dayly in our sayd countrees by dronkēnesse or vnder truste of forgyuenesse easyly to be had/ we ha-

ue instantly requyred & ordeyned to our sayd moste dere and tyghtbeloued suster the quene/and expressely cõmaunded to the chyef men of our pryue counceyl that at theyr cõmynge they gyue not tyght ter/myssyon of homycydes nor other cau/ses procedynge of dronkẽnesse:but to the contrary yf they may take them in dron/kẽnesse that hath cõmytted manslaugh/ter or any other euyll dede / to punysshe them fyrst for cause of theyr dronkẽnesse And than for treason of theyr slaughter or other greiffes by them cõmytted Wyth out delay as they can fynde by tyght e/quyte and Justyce.

WE Wyll also do enact and ordeyne tyght expressely that they cõmyt/ted and to admyt in oure name at the remuynge of the lawes of townes & boroughes of our sayd coũtrees that they do not moeue or set any psones ī the lawd Which they know to be named or famed dronkelewe & customably excessyfe dron kers. And yf vnwares they haue amyt/

ted any in to the lawe / that customably were dronken and after beynge in lawe perseuereth dronklewe / In that cause to dysmysse them of theyr offyce what euer it be for euer. The paynes and amendes aboue sayd to be vsed / the halfe to oure profyte / A quarter of the profyte to the shewer therof / and the other to the offycer that executeth it.

¶ Agaynst excesse of aray.

And for to redresse the greate dysordres & excesses amonge the lyege people subgectes and other euyll inhabytaũces of our sayd countrees clothynges and araye to the insupportable expence and preiudyce of the cõmyn welthe. We haue statuted / ordeyned defended and forboden by these present statutes to all our lyege people be they Dukes / Prynces / Marquyses / Erles / Ganerettes / noble man or other our subgectz / dwellers & inhabytyers of

our sayd coũtrees in these ꝑties of what estate/qualyte or cõdycyõ that they be of to women as to men without any excepcyon/the weryng and vse of all sortes and maners of clothes of golde/of cloth of syluer brocartes of golde and syluer/ aswell in clokes as capes / dowblettes/ Jerkyns/cotes/ & Jackettes in sleues or halfe sleues or in bordures/ gaderynges or maner that is more or lesse that otherwyse in any sorte or it may be. And lyke wyse all brawderyes of golde or syluer vpon any maner thynge that it may be.

That none of our lyeges or subgectes of what so euer estate qualyte or condycyon he be may or shal from hensforth were gownes/mãtelles nor Jackettes of veluet or cremosyn satyn/but oonly prynces/marquys/erles/ or the knyghtes of our ordre/and lordes/ banerettes of auncyent noblenesse: or the chyef of our pryue counceyll & theyr chyldren the chyef of offycers & hed offycers of our howse. In kepynge by them selfe

The actes or ordynaunce and echone of theym certayne nombre of good horses to the behouse of theyr estate and vacacyon.

NOr none of our lyeges or subgectes or other dwellers or inhabytyers of our sayd coũtrees other than the fore named may or shall hereafter were gownes of blacke veluet/tawny or other colloure/nor cremsoyn/but yf he kepe thre good horses for the sadle/wherof two of them shalbe.eche of them of the heygth of.xvi.palmes and a half at the leest. And that none but them above named may or shall frohensforth were gownes of satyn or damaske/but yf he holde two horses/one at the lest of the heygth of.xvi.palmes and a halfe.

AND ferthermore yt none of what estate he be of mayr or shall were cote of veluet/satyn or damaske/but yf he kepe one good horse of the heygthe of.xvi.palmes and a halfe as is abouesayd. My payne to do the contrarye

at euery tyme so doynge of the confyscacyon of the goodes and other raymentz gardyngz/ and braderyes that they do were agaynst our present ordynaūce in the countrees and places or confyscacion of place. And besyde penalte arbytrayre indyfferently of the value of the sayde raymentes/gardes/ or braderynges/ & the sayd forfeyt cōfyscacyon/ and penalties shall be the halfe to the profyte of the paryssh churche or other churches of the place where it is founde or had/at the ordeynge and dyscrecyon of the Juges/ one quarter to the profyte of the brynger forth. And the other quarter to the behouse of the offycer that executeth it.

And in the ordynaūce as is aboue said the women and chyldren shall be ruled accordynge to the degre of theyr husbādes & fathers. And the wydowes in this behalfe shall remayne in theyr wydowhed and be reputed as they were in theyr husbandes dayes.

And that they whiche haue raymēt of sylkes may pouruey themselfe of other. And that they that wold were garmentes of sylkes may pouruey them of horses / We haue consented and agreed that they that haue raymentes of sylkes maye were them yf they please vnto Christmasse day next folowyng And that they that wolde were sylkes / may pouruey them of horses within the same tyme. Prouyded alwaye and that we defend forbyd that at the sayde feest of Crystmasse that they that haue no horses as we haue sayd shal not make newe clothynges of sylkes. And the taylloures shall not make them / but yt by the cheyf officer of the place it be certyfyed that he that wolde make newe garmentes of sylke be pourueyed of horses as it is ordeyned. To the obseruacyon wherof we haue enacted and ordeyned that all offycers and eche of them make dylygent vysytacyon euery thre monethes / yf they yt were sylkes in the lymytes of theyr offyces do kepe nombre of horses conformabl

ly to the sayd ordynaunce. And theyr visytacyon to be put in wrytynge by maner of Inuytorye of them that kepe horses. And they to send them euery thre monethes to the quene our suster. On payn of forfayture of a.C.carolles of golde euery tyme that they do mysse to be put to our vse & profyte/to the ende that our suster the quene may knowe euery thre monethes what nombre of horses we maye recouer in our countrees.

¶ For horses.

For to retayne the marchaundyse of Horses in our countrees to the welthe & profyte of many of our subgectes that make marchaundyse of them / We haue defended and forboden to all persones be they oure subgectes or straungers to carye any Mares out of our sayde countrees / On payne of forfeytoure of the sayde Mares / and also the valoure of them the halfe to our vse One quarter to the fynder/and the other quarter to the offycer that executeth it.

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tes of our housholde / and men of our or-
dynaunce / the which for our seruyce and
theyr rydyng may bye them in the playn
countrees. And they that haue suche hor-
ses to sell them to them as well as in fre
fayres without offendynge.

¶ Agaynst swerers & blasphemers.

Onsequẽtly to redresse
& put remedye agaynst
blasphemers / we haue
defended al persones to
blaspheme our lord god
the vyrgyne Mary / the
sayntes or theyr names. On payne that
they that forsake god / dysauowe god / or
dyspyte hym / his mother theyr names or
the sayntz: to be enprysoned the space of a

hole moneth in a depe dongeon wt brede & water. And they that so do blaspheme with harde and felonous hertes / besyde the sayd prysonement to haue theyr tongues perced openly vpon a scaffolde wt out grace fauour or delay. And they that make any other vylayne othes to be punysshed in theyr bodyes arbytrarylye at the discrecion of the Jugs vnder whom the sayde othes be made / or of hym that hath knowleg therof. And that the sayd Juges dyssymule nor deffer the punysshement of blasphemers / or fowle swerers in maner aforesayd. On payn to be pryuate and put out of theyr offyces for euer: nor to recouer or exercyse any other

¶ Of mutuell frendshyp amonge subgectes.

AND touchynge the mutuell intellygence and amyte bewene our sayd countrees and subgectes / the whiche we haue ppose to our estates of our sayd countrees in theyr assem-

blynge last With Vs. Consydering that in the sayd intelligence confederacyons and good amytees cõsysteth & dependeth chyefly the force/the surete/and rest/and in effect the Welth of the cõmynte of the sayd coũtrees. We them requyred and ordeyne most certaynly. And Vpon as moche as they desyre to obey Vs and do Vs plea/sure and for theyr owne Welth/surete & rest / as they ben all Vnder Vs theyr oonly prynce / naturall and soueraygne lorde / that lyke Wyse they loue eche other and haue mutuell good and true intelligence and loue that they conuerse & haũt louyngly one With another / & to entremedle and Vse togyther in all thynges/ Wherof the cõmodytees more in one coũtre than in the other and as neyghbours frendes/and subgectes cõstytued Vnder one prynce ben bounden & ought to do. And that they assyst / & helpe eche other in theyr mutuell defence / surete and trãquylyte. ¶ And yf that occasyon of dyffyculte chaunce betWene any of the sayd countrees that it be anoyded louyngly a

monge them yf it maye be. yf not/ With the meanes of the gouernours of the said countrees echone to his power or Where nede shalbe by interuencyon of our sayd ryghte dere and Well beloued suster the quene Without fygure of processe. And this doynge to Vs shalbe ryght agreable And We shall kepe them/defende/ & preserue from all empryses/forces Vyolences/outrages/& greues as a good prynce naturall/and souerayn lord ought to do for his true obeyers/countrees/ and subgectes. And We cõmaunde and ryght expresscly ordeyne oure Welbeloued lyege men the chyef presedent and men of our pryue counceyll/to the presedent and mẽ of our great counceyll. To the chauncellor and men of our coũceyll in Brabant To the gouernour and men of our counceyll at Luxembourg. To the presedent and men of our counceyll in Flaundres To the gouernour and men of our counceyll in Artoys. To the hygh bayllyf of Haynau & men of our coũceyl at Mons. Lyeftenaunt and men of our counceyll

in Hollāde/zellande/and fryse. Gouer/
nour/presedent and men of our coūceyll
at Namur. Lyeftenaunt/presedent and
men of our counceyll at Vtrecht. To the
gouernour Doneryssel. To the rentmay
sters of Gewest/ & Georsterschelt in zel/
lāde. To the gouernour of the yle of Do
uay & Orchyes. To the prouost le conte
at Valenciennes. And to Lesconttete of
Malynes and to all oure other offycers
and Justyces that they take hede and se
that our sayd ordynaunces statutes/edy
ctes/and defences to be publysshed/and
proclaymedechone in theyr quarters and
lymytes of theyr Jurysdyctions/and ad
mynystracyons the. xv. day of the next
moneth of Nouembre/and in our name
ryght strayghtly cōmaūde to all our sub
gectes/habytauntes and conuersyng in
our sayd countrees/that our said statute
edyctes/& defences be kept & holde īmoua
bly without gaynsayng dyrectly or vn
dycetly ī maner what soeuer. & to the ob
seruynge of the sayd statutes/edyctes/&
defences they do procede and cause to pro

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cede eche to his power respectyuely. And
in theyr lymytes of theyr Jurysdyccions
agaynst the transgressoures of the same
by the execucyons of the penalties therto
apposed respectyuely Without fauour sy
mulacyon/grace/or delay. For so is our
pleasure. In Wytnesse Wherof We haue
caused to set our seale to these presentes.
Gyuen at our towne of Bruxelles
the. Vii. day of Octobre/the yere
of grace. M. V. C. xxxi. the
seconde of our empyre/
& of regnes of spay-
ne/and bothe
the Cycylles and other: the.
xvi. Thus subscrybed
By the Emperoure
in his counceyll.
And sygned of
the secretarye
Dublioul.

The actes or ordynaunce Agaynst the Lutherayns. By the Emperour.

TO our Welbeloued lyeges the Chaunceller and men of our coũceyll of Brabãt gretynge & dylectyon. For to remedy and pouruey agaynst the Abusyons & errours of Martyn Luther & other auctoures and reprouued heretykes and theyr dyscyples/ sectatours/ and imitatours/ adherentes/ and complyces Which haue here tofore perforced and Wylled to soWe theyr heresyes in our countrees in these partyes to the preiudyce of the Christen fayth/ of the Sacramentes/ Cõmaundementes / and ordynaunces of our mother holy Churche. We therfore haue longe sythen requyred our holy father the Pope/ to depute and cõmytte inquysytours in our sayd countrees. And also We haue decerned & caused to spede. Fyrste in our Imperyall cytie of Wormes/ and sythen in other places our Lettres of placarde conteynynge cõ-

maundemētes statutes and ordynaun-
ces with penalties agaynst the offēders
imitatours of Martyn Luther/or of his
adherentes/& complyces. And sythen in
the moneth of Octobre of the yere. M. v.
C.xxix. last past cōmen to our knowle
ge yt the abusyons & errours of the sayd
Martyn Luther/ his imitatours & cōply
ces and other dampnable sectz as well by
the conuersacyon of some of them in our
sayd coūtrees/as that many of euyll her
te and wyll do not exteme or doubte the
paynes opposed in our sayd ordynauncz
haue publysshed and multyplyed them
in our countrees. We to remedy the same
by the aduyse of the chaūcellers of our or
dre & of the chyef men of our pryue coun
ceyll and many other good persones ther
fore cōuocate and assembled: With great
and rype deleberacion of the late/& than
lyuynge our moste dere/ and ryght wel-
beloued lady & aunte the Archeduchesse
of Austryche regent for vs who god as-
soyle, shuld haue made and ordeyned mo
re rygorous statutes and ordynaunces a

gaynst the abusyons of our fayth / and ordres of the churche as it appereth in the lettres of our placarde gyuen in our towne of Bruxcelles the .xiiii. day of Octobre / the yere. M. V. C. xxix. ⁊ publysshed the same ī al our sayd coūtres. but neuer thelesse it is yet agayne cōmen to knowlege that the said Martyn Luther ⁊ other auctours reproued: ⁊ their sectatours īmitatours ⁊ cōplyces do ꝑforce them more ⁊ more to publysshe sowe ⁊ inprynt theyr errours ⁊ abusiōs ī the sayd coūtres. Desyryng to put remedy we hauyng agayne thaduyse of men of estate of all oure sayde countrees and counceylles prouyncyalles by the aduyse of the chauncellers of our ordre / and of the chyef of our pryue coūceyll to the honour of god our creatoure / to the mayntenaunce of the holye fayth / of the sacramentes / statutes / ordynaunces / and constytucyons of our mother holy churche agayne of newe statuted ⁊ ordeyned the poyntes and artycles folowynge.

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Fyste that no person nor persones of what nacyon estate or condycyon he or they be fromhensforthe prynt or wryte/bye or sell/gyue/rede/kepe/or retcyne vnder hym/or receyue preche/instructe or teche/susteyne/or defend cõmune/or byspute/openly or secretly/or kepe conuentycles or assembles of the bokes/wrytynges/or doctrynes/or any of them made or shall be made by Martyn Luther. Johñ Wykelyf. Johñ hus. Marcilius de paduay. Ecolampadius. Vlricus/zwyngly. Philippus melãtonis. Franciscus lamberti. Johannes pomerani. Ottho brussi. Justus Jone. Johannes pupery/and Borchianus/or other auctours of theyr secte/or of other sectes of herysyes errours or abusyons reproued of the churche. Nor also the doctrynes of theyr adherentes/fautours/& cõplyces. Nor the newe testamẽtes emprynted by Adryan de bargis. Chrystoferus de Raymundia/and Johañes zell. full of Lutherayn herysyes or other and for suche reproued and condempned by the

facukte of theologyens in the vnyuersy-
te of Louayn. Nor lyke wyse any bokes
that syth .v. yeres hytherto haue ben wry
tey or vnprynted without she wynge the
names of the auctours/prynters or wry
ters/nor the tyme and places/when they
were cōpyled wryten or prynted. Nor al
so the new testamēt/the gospells/epysto
les/ pphetyes nor other what soeuer bo-
kes in frenche or thyrtz hauynge prefa
ces/or prologues/apostylles or gloses cō
teynynge or touchynge any doctryne/ or
errour or any wyse derogaunte or repug
nynge contrary to the chrysten fayth/ to
the sacramentes or cōmaundementes of
god and of the churche or to the doctryne
of the same. Nor lyke wyse to paynt por
tray or cause to be paynted portrayed/to
haue/holde/or kepe any ymages/ portra
turys/payntynges/or opprobryous and
dyspyteful fygures of god of the blyssed
vyrgyn Mary/or of sayntes. Or to bre-
ke marre/or deface the ymags/or portray
tures made to the remembraunce and ho
nourre of god / of the vyrgyn Mary/ or

the saynes approued of the churche. And moreouer that none of what estate that he be of presume to talke or dyspute of holy scrypture in doubtfull maters or diffycyle / but yf they be ryght well famed & approued Theologyens by famous vnyuersyties. On payne to them that do the contrary of confyscacyon of theyr bodyes without grace / respyte / or delaye. That is to wyt of them that here before haue cōmytted any errour and beyng abiured and ben fallen therin agayne to be executed by fyre. And other / as men by swerde. and the woman by the pyt / and theyr hedes set there aboute / in example of other / & the forfeyture of theyr goodes or of place.

And that none of what soeuer nacyon kynde / or cōdycyon presume or auaunce them from hensforthe to translate / wryte / or prynte / plane / or bynde within our sayd countree of Brabant any bokes / quyres / or what soeuer doctrynes of holy wryt in frenche / or thy

riz/nor in other speche than laten. Nor al so to cause to make/nor to brynge or cau se to brynge in to our sayd coũtrees/any of the sayde bokes/or other/translated/ wryten/or enprynted in other countrees without the leue of the ordynary/or of you chaunceller and men of our coũceyl in the sayd countrees/and your approba cyon of the sayde bokes quayres or wry- tynges.

And that none presume frohensforth to prynte or wryte/or cause to prynte or wryte any newe bokes/quayers/or volumes thoughe they be not composed by Martyn Luther/or by them afore na- med or other suspect & reproued auctours or any of them/and that the sayd bokes or wrytynges be no treatye of any hery- tycall mater/erronyous/or suspecte/but that the sayd bokes quyers/or volumes be ecclesiastycall maters tyll the ordyna ry or his deputye haue vysyted and ap- proued them. And that the sayd prynter or wryter neyther for to prynt nor wryte

them: but yf they haue for the same obteyned our lettres patentz of graunt & lycence vpon payne of doynge the contrarye without grace or respyte vpon a scaffolde to be marked with a hote yren in maner of a crosse so sharply that it may not be put awaye/or to haue one iye put out or one hande cut of / at the dyscrecyon of the Juge/to the regarde of mysusynge & brekynge of the sayd ordynaunces

We also ordeyn and statute for a cōmaundement that no host nor hostesse nor other persones/ of what nacyon estate or cōdycion they be of wyttyngly lodge/receyue/fauour or susteyn any heretykes or abusers of the fayth of the sacramentes and ordynaunces of the church: or that hath done agaynst our statutes & ordynaunces. And that all they that haue lodged them/receyued/fauoured/or susteyned/ knowynge them to be suche/and that they do cōtynewe in theyr false errours to shewe whiche they be/ (within.xv.dayes next folowynge the

publycacion of these presentes) to the chyef offycers of the nexte good towne of theyr abydynge. On payne of faylynge therof of forfeyture and losse of theyr bodyes without respyte / & also theyr ĩmouable goodes of confyscacyons of theyr mouables.

And that all they that here before haue ben / or hereafter shal be attaynt of herysye or abusynge of the fayth or sacramentes / or constytucyons and ordynaũces of the churche shal not fromhensforth company nor talke one with an other of maters defẽded by the churche. On payne of confyscacyon of theyr bodyes and goodes lyeng in countre or terrytory / of theyr mouables.

¶ That none attaynt or by informacyon precedent vehemently suspect of heresye or errour in the fayth or of the sacramentes and ordynaunces of the churche / shall not excercyse / haue / nor kepe in our sayd countree of Brabant / of vs of our lyeges / or other persones. Nor in townes

or other places of our sayde countre any honourable estate what soeuer/ nor be of our counceylles in any townes. And defende our offycers & cōmyssioners at the renewyng of the lawes of our sayd coūtrees to admyt them to shyrefshyp or any other maner estate or rowme.

And desyrynge to pouruey for the knowelege of heresyes/ errours/ and abusyons agaynst the catholyke faythe/ the sacramentes and ordynaūces of the churche/ whiche be or may be in our sayd coūtre/ we accorde and ordeyne by these presentes/ to them that do name and shewe them/ or to our Justycz and offycers as it shal be seen. They that ben accused to be duely attaynt and conuycte. That is to wyt of eche of them that do not excede C.li. of grotes/ money of Flaundres for one tyme. And yf they excede the sayde. C.li. of grotes/ we accorde and ordeyne that ouer and aboue the halfe of the sayde. C.li. of grotes/ the sayd shewers namers or accusers to haue the .x. penye of

the goodes / & that that is exceedynge the costes and expenses in the suyt of Justyce prealably deduct of the sayde goodes/ We Wyll that to the honourr of god it be bestowed in Werkes of pyte & mercy.

We ordeyne also & enact by cōmaūdemēt and Wyll that our offycers and other tofore Whom the domynatours of any heresyes/errours/or abusyons of the fayth/of the sacramentes or preceptes of god/and cōstytucyons of the churche/or the brekynge of our present ordynaunces/shall come/so ferforthe that by presedent informacyon accusynge or other Wyse theyr fautȝ do appere/that dylygently agaynst them they do procede/ and put them in cause before our trustye & Welbeloued counceylliers in our chauncery of Brabant/ mayster Adolf Vandnoot doctour/ and mayster Josse Vanddusse lycenciat in the droytes. The Whiche duely informed by theyr Wyt/prudēce lernynge/ryght Wysnesse & dylygence We haue deputed and cōmytted by these

presentes/and gyue them power/auctoryte and specyall cõmaundement to exa myne and knowe the sayd causes without longe fygure of processe/and as substancyally and wel as by reason & equyte may be done. And ryght expẽsselye we cõmaũde them that in gyuyng theyr sentences and appoyntements agaynst all and enery of them that shal be attaynt & conuyct for doynge contrary to these or dynaunces or any artycle of them / and to haue them in before our chaunceller & other of our sayd coũceyll/and there wel vnderstãden to ordeyne as ye shall thynke best to be done with reason.

And yf the offycers or other to whom the sayd denouncers or accusers were adressed be neclygẽt to procede agaynst them that be denounced to them by precedent information or other wyse duely as it is sayde not causynge the sentences as they haue obteyned to be pryuate of their offyces and estates and arbytrary correctiones. And that the sayd denoũcers may

recouer theyr tyghte of denouncyacyon
Vpon the goodes of our sayd offycers or
other neclygent in theyr deuoure / at the
choyse of the sayd denouncers.

AND for to bynde our offycers & other
to whom the denouncers do come / &
the whiche bycause of theyr estate and by
these presentes be cõmytted to procede a-
gaynst them that bey accused of herese
or abusyon of the fayth / or of the sacra-
mentes & ordynaunces of the churche / or
breckynge of our present statutes actes &
cõmaundemẽtes to do theyr deuoure. We
haue statuted & ordeyned that our sayde
offycers and other to whom this cõmys-
syon adresseth to sende vs euery thre mo
nethes / and in our absence to our tyght
dere & welbeloued suster the quene play-
ne declaracyon of the accusacyons & de-
nouncyacyons to them made of the fore-
sayd maters / and of theyr procedynges /
deuours and dylygences agaynst theym
that haue be denounced or accused. Dy
payn yf they be neclygẽt of losse of theyr

offyces/estates/and payne arbytrary.

And We ordeyn moste expressely that the abouesayd ordynaunces/statutes and cõmaundemẽtes/be publyssyed the xv. day of the next moneth of Nouẽbre in euery place of our sayd coũtre & duchy of Brabant/ Where proclamacyons are Wont to be publyssyed. And fro that tyme euery. vi. moneth tyll by Vs is otherWyse ordeyned/ And by Vs it is expressely and moste straytly cõmaunded and defended that none presume to do there agaynst. And for the obseruynge & maynteynynge of the sayd ordynaunces & statutes to pcede agaynst the trãsgressours Also agaynst our offyceis/ Justyces/ & other that ben neclygent in doynge theyr deuour by trall execucyon of the paynes & forfeytures in them apposed Without delay or symulacyon. This for to do We gyue you power & cõmyt you auctoryte and specyall cõmaundement. And commaunde to all our Juges/offyceis/and subgectes that so do theyr deputyes & eue

The actes or ordynaunce
ry of them & theyr substytutes dylygent/
ly to entende and obey any opposityon
or appellacyon made or to be made not/
withstandynge / for thus it pleaseth vs.
Gyuen in our towne of Bruxelles the
vii. daye of Octobre / the yere. M. v. C.
xxvi. Thus subscrybed. By the Empe/
rour in his counceyll / And sygned by
the secretary Dubloue.

¶ Of the acte for Coyne.
By the Emperour.

TO our trusty and welbelo/
ued the Chaunceller & men
of our counceyll in Brabant
gretynge and dylyccyon. Je
is gyuen vs to vnderstande
syth our retourne in to these our present
countrees that the ordynaunce vpon the
feate of Coyne of moneyes made the. v.
day of December / the yere. M. vi. last past
to begyn the fyrste daye of Marche than
folowynge the sayd yere. The whiche or
dynaunce in the aduyse of the estates / &

greate nombre of notable and good perso
nes of our countrees expert in the kno
lege of feate of money / of the generalles
or Wardens of the sayd moneyes / of me
of our prouyncall coũceykles and of our
receptes With great and rype delyberacy
on of the late our ryght dere & Welbelo
ued Lady and aunte thatchedutchesse of
Austryce. &c. than regent for Vs in our
sayd countrees / Whom god assolue. For
the moste Welth / Vtylyte / cõmodyte / and
profyte of the cõmyn Welth of our sayde
countrees and subgectes. We haue cõclu
ded & made / And the same than & sythen
often caused to be proclaymed in all our
countrees (not beynge obserued) And yt
dyuers pens of golde and syluer by the
sayde ordynaunce declared bylkyon We
re brought in to our sayd countrees that
the pens of golde and syluer of our forge
and other pryncys by the sayd ordynaun
ce Valued (by theyr Weyght) to be alo We
ed as they be yet Without Weyeng / and
all at a heyghet pryce than they be Valu
ed. And that the good pens of golde and

syluer of our forge and of other prynces by our sayd ordynaũce enualued hauynge theyr weyght be trãsported i to straũge countrees and from the sayd straũge countrees smal pens of lytell value ben brought in to our coũtrees / by people sekynge theyr partyculer profyte and is alowed to the great hynderaunce and vndoyng of our sayd countrees / subgectes and cõmyn welth of the same (the which for the moste parte lyeth in the feate and ordre of the money) and to the preiudyce of our hyghnesse / auctoryte / sygnoury & obeysaunce / and in dysestymacyon of our ordynaunces / whiche is a thyng not to beleft desyryng remedy / we vpon the same agayne hath had aduyse of the estates of our sayde countrees / and of many notable persones knowlegynge in feats of money / the maysters of our moneys & myntes / the chyef men of our prouyncyall counceylles / and of the accomptes of our sayde countrees / with the knyghtes of oure ordre, and the chyef of our pryue counceyll and of our sayd treasours / for

¶ The halfe after the rate accordynge.

¶ The lyon of golde of. lix. in the mar-
ke/at. xliii. pattars.

¶ The. ii. thyrde partes: and the. iii. parte of them accordynge.

¶ The rydder of golde / the ducates of spayne/of portugale/and other lyke du-
cates of. lxv. in the marke. The ducates of Hungrye of. lxix. in the marke / at. xxxiv. pattars.

¶ The halfe accordynge.

¶ The castyllyon of fyne golde of. liii. z. in the marke/at. li. pattars.

¶ The ducate of Ytaly / & the salute of. lxvii. in the marke/at. xxx viii. pattars.

¶ The two ptes of the salut accordyng.

¶ The florens with saynt Andrewes crosse of. lxviii. in the marke / at. xxix. pattars.

¶ The florens of Huylkerms of. lxvii. in the marke/at. xxix. pattars.

¶ The schutkyns of. lxviii. in the marke at. xxv B. z. pattars.

¶ The Johannes of. lxviii. in the mar-
ke/at. xx B. pattars.

¶ The floryns Philippus forged ī these coūtres syth the yere M.iiii.C.lxxxxvii of.lxxiiii.in the marke/at.xxv.pattars

¶ The halfe of them accordynge.

¶ The Philippus clynkarte of.lxxvi. in the marke/at.xxi.pattars.

¶ The Peter of louayn of.lxxvi.in the marke/at.xxvi.pattars.

¶ The fredericus and floryns of bauyce of.lxxviii.ī the marke/at.xx.z.pattars.

¶ The floryn arnold⁹ of.lxxxxii.in the marke/at.xiiii.z.pattars.

¶ The Postulat of burbon/and with a cat of.lxxxi.in the marke/at.xvi.z.pat.

¶ The floryns of vtryght Dauyd and none other at.lxxvi. in the marke / at. xxiiii.pattars.

¶ The floryng golde of Almayn whose fygures be prynted and none other of lxxv.in the marke/at.xxviii.pattars.

¶ The olde scutes of Fraunce with the crown of.lxxii.ī the marke/at.xxxv.z. pattars.

¶ The franciscus crownes of golde coyned by the kynge now beynge of.lxx.in

the same assembled: after many cõmunycacyons vpon & for the same with great and rype delyberacyon / for the conservacyon of our hyghnesse / auctoryte / and obeysaũce / & for the more euydent welth stylyte / profyte / and cõmodyte of the cõmyn welth of our sayde countrees and subgectes / cõfermacyon of our sayd last ordynaunce in the feate of moneyes / we haue of new statuted and ordeyned this that folowyth.

Fyrst that accordynge to our sayde last ordynaunce begon the .x. day of Marche the yere .xxvi. last passed. The pens of gold and syluer hereafter specyfyed / and declared redely / & frohensforth shalbe alowed / and currant in our said countrees in these partyes at suche weyght & pryce and in maner as it folowyth.

That is to wyt.

The ryall of fyne golde of our newe forge of .xlvi. in the marke / at the pryce of. lx. pattars.

¶ The halfe ryall of .lxx. pyece / and halfe quarter in the marke at. xxx. pattars.

¶ The floryn karolus of .lxxx. and .iiii. in the marke at .xx. pattars.

¶ The golden flece of golde of .liiii. ʒ. in the marke at .l. ʒ. pattars.

¶ The great ryall of Austryche of .xv. in the marke at. viii. floryns karolus .xi. pattars.

¶ The halfe and quarter of the same accordynge.

¶ The noble Henricus of .xxxvi. in the marke / at .iii. floryns karolus .xii. ʒ. pat.

¶ The halfe noble & quarter accordyng.

¶ The noble of Flaundres of .xxxvi. in the marke / at .iii. floryns karolus .xii. ʒ. pattars.

¶ The halfe and quarter accordynge.

¶ The aungell noble of Englande of. xlviii. in the marke / at .lvii. pattars.

of the Emperoure. Folio. xxv Vi. lue of. iv. pens / other but. Vii. other but Vi. other but. V. and other but. iiii pens tourneys. And therfore it is not veray possyble to value them Justly. And yf they were valued the poore symple people coude not knowe them. We haue forboden and defended in our sayd coūtres the cours of the sayde pattars and graūt blankes and all whyte money of fraunce tyll that oure tryght dere and welbeloued brother and cosyn the kynge of fraunce and we haue agreed of the prie/alloy & of the pryce & valuacyon of oure moneyes/or that other wyse by vs be ordeyned.

And the grotes/ halfe grotes/ gigotz/ lytell pens & other pens of Hollāde/ and other pens/ halfe pens/ courtes/ & mytes/ forged in our moneyes shal haue course in our coūtres as they are wont. And it is to wyt that with the sayd half grotes and other money vnder them no payments shal be made/ or course of rentes of marchaundyses or other.

And as for other pens of golde or syl-
uer not here tofore valued (of what
coyne or for soeuer they be) we haue decla
red them byllyon and forbyd the alow-
aunce/ of them in these our sayd coūtres
at any pryce/ nor by cōmutacyon nor ex
chaunge of any wares/ or moneyes gol-
de or syluer. On payne of forfeyture of
the sayd pens & of .l. floryns of golde ka-
rolus for the fyrste tyme: For the seconde
tyme/ of the sayd pens and a .C. karolus
And for the thyrde of the sayd pens and
of .CC. karolus or other arbytrary pe-
nalte at the dyscrecyon of the Juges/ af-
ter the exigence of the case and the faculte
of the offenders/ Yf it be not by the han-
des of the exchaungers ordeyned by the
sayd generalles in our sayde countrees.
The whiche exchaungers shall be boun
de to gyue the value and cut them & ha-
ue them to our mynte to be molten/ On
the payne hereafter declared.

And that our present ordynaūce may
be the better kept/ and that our coun-

the marke & other lyke/at.xxxvi.patts.

¶ Alwayes at two grotes of Flaundres the pattart.

¶ And the sayd pens or pyeces of gold & none other shall haue cours in our sayde countrees / at the pryce & weyght aboue/ sayd with the helpe of a Deusken on euery pyece of golde. All in maner declared in thordynaũce of the yere. M.v.C.xx.

¶ Of syluer and other coynes.

The double karolus of fyne syluer that be now coyned in our moneyes in these partyes shal be curraũt in money of Flaundres/at.vi.grotes.
¶ The syngle of the same/ at.iii.grotes.
¶ The pattars that were coyned here afore/and they that be coyned now in our sayd money/at.ii.grotes.
¶ The great ryall of syluer/at.xii.grots
The golden flece of syluer/at.vi.grotes
¶ The reall of syluer with the armes of Spayne/at.vi.z.grotes.

¶ The double pattars/at.iiii.grotes.
¶ The doubles with two gryffons & .ii. helmets with the crowne/at. v.z.grotes.
¶ The half & quarter aft̄ the rate of thē.
¶ The doubles with two lyons: the malynoys & them of Burbon/at.iiii.z.grots
¶ The syngle of them/at.ii.grotes/and vi.mytes.
¶ The doubles Phylyps/ and karolus of Burgoyn/at. v.grotes.
¶ The syngle of the same accordynge.
¶ The Johānes brasse pēnyngs/ at.iii. grotes.
¶ The phylypp⁹ of Namur/at.ii.grots
¶ The double pattart forged at luxemburg/at.iii.z.grotes.
¶ The syngle of them after the rate.

As touchīge the douzains/pattars and graūt blankes of fraunce seynge the chaungynge & enpayrynge syth our last ordynaunce / in the feate or act of moneyes. And that some graūt blankes by the assay/ that we haue caused to make they be founde but at the va

trees and subgectes/ & them that be there resydent or cõuersaunt be dyscharged of the auauntagyous moneyes of golde & syluer by this present acte declared bykyon/ We ordeyn that the generalles of our said moneyes Within the. xv. day of Nouembre that our ordynaunce shal be proclayned or soone after go forth With cõioyntly or seuerally to all the chyef and other townes/ boroughes/ and fraunchyses of our sayd countrees Where as nede shall be. And by the aduyse of the offycers and men of la We therfore pourucyon our parte, yf they haue not done it alredy/ And yf they had/ and theyr prouysyon be not obserued of exchaũgers able folke and conuenyent for to bye the said pens of golde and syluer dyffended/ and gyuynge to them that hath them the pryce and Value/ cut them in the receyuynge and bere them to our myntes/ so that the sayd exchaungers haue reasonable salary of it/ that is to Wytte thre pattars/ for euery. li. of grotes money of Flaunders of the metall of bykyon golde or syl

uer that they do chaunge/more or lesse after the instruccyõs that the sayd generalles do gyue to the sayde chaungers. And the sayd chaungers at theyr instruccyon to make solempne othe in the handes of the sayd generalles/or one of them in the presence of the chyef offycer and men of la We there as they are cõmytted inuyolably to kepe theyr instruccyon. On payne of losse of theyr offyces / (z to be proclaymed Vnworthy for euer to bere offyce in our said countrees and of. Vi. C. florynz karolus of golde/and other payne arbytrary.

Furthermore We forbyd the sayde exchaungers nor other of What estate or cõdycyon soeuer they be to try the heuy pens of gold or syluer forged in our moneyes nor other Valued by this present ordynaunce from the lyghte pens for theyr aduauntage. On payne for euery tyme so doyng eche of them. Vi C. florynz karolus / and to be pryuate of theyr rowme and offyces besyde pe-

nalty arbytrary. And other that be no chaungers nor our offycers. On payne of an. C. karolus and penalte at the dyscrecyon of the Juges.

Also to eschewe and take away the occasyon of the reysyng and enpayrynge of moneyes Whiche men say is procedded of the calculacyon and rekenyng by poundes solz and pens of grotes moneyes of Flaundres or Brabant/Whiche is vsed in moste parte of the chyef coūtrees in these partyes/We do ordeyn and enacte by cōmaundement that frohensforth al our demaynes tayllyages our mylles medowes/and woodes. Our rentes & other goodes. Those of prelates & other men of the churche. Also of our seruauntes and other of our countrees and lordshyppes of what estate that they be. All contractes of marchaundyses/hyrynge of goodes/of seruaantes/and in effecte all conuenauntes wherof so euer it be/be made/payde/and fulfylyd with florynes karolus of golde of true weyght &

alloy of oure newe coyne at the pryce of. xx. pattars the karolus / or of other money golde or syluer valued after the rate as abouesayde. And that yf any conuenaũtes of what soeuer it be syth the fyrst daye of Marche the yere. xxvi. last / that our ordynaũce of the. x. daye of Decẽbre in the sayd yere cõfermed to the ordynaũce of the yere. xx. is begon were made at pound; of grotes of flaundres and Grabant. We wyll and ordeyn that albeit in the sayd case any be or shal be bounde to paye for the fulfyllynge of suche conuenaũtes. vi. floryns karolus gold for the poũde of grot; of flaũdres. iiii. for the. li. of grotes of Grabant & one karolus of gold for euery. li. of. xl. grotes. Neuerthe lesse yf by contractes of rentes or otherwyse precedynge the sayde fyrste day of Marche the yere. xxvi. last it were other wyse appoynted suche contractes maye be fulfylled after theyr tenoure / and of the wrytynges that ben made and expedyed.

MOreouer for surete of the obser-
uacyon of the sayde ordynaunce
we haue ordeyned that all sentē
ces of condempnacyons / of penaltyes /
and amendes (that shalbe made and ren
dred ī to our pryue / great / and other coū-
ceylles. Also ouer all our Jugs / offycers
and men of lawe of townes more and
lesse or other places of our sayd countres
as well by the Juges and offycers / of
prelates / of our seruauntes / noble / and
other folkes / hauynge Jurysdyccyon in
our sayd coūtres) be made with karolus
of golde of our sayde money / & be payde
in karolus at the pryce of .xx. pattars or
in other money valued after the rate.
And also that the wages & pencyons yᵉ
we gyue or shall gyue fromhensforth to
al our pēcyonaryes / to them of our hous
holde and all our offycers be compted &
payde in karolus of golde. And that in
lykewyse it be done by folke of all estats
in our countrees and sygnoryes. And yᵉ
all lyterages that from that day forwar
de shalbe sped in al our coūtrees in who

se name and by whome it be in coyne of gold or syluer they make them to be sped and expedyed with florynes karolus at the pryce aforesayde/and of lesse some in valued pattars.

Also that none of what estate or condycion he be of to presume fromhensforth to receyue or gyue: nor also to preset (to whome so euer it be) pens enualued lesser than pryce/ nor at more pryce than this present ordynaunce bereth/ nor also the pens declared for byllyon at any maner pryce/by way of cõmutacyon nor otherwyse in to the handes of chaungers as it is sayd. On payne of forfeyture of the sayd pens and of.l.karolus of golde for the fyrste tyme. For the seconde tyme the sayd pence and.C.karolus. And for the thyrde of.ii.C.karolus and other penaltie arbytrary as abouesayde.

We also defende that none of what estate he be of to transporte or cause to be transported or borne out of

any of our sayd coũtrees and sygnoury-
es any lyghte penyes of golde molten or
vnmolten or any masses of golde or of
bullyon. Dy payne of forfeyture of the
sayde penyes & masses and of .iii. C. dou-
ble ryalles of golde for euery marke of
golde/and of .C. ryalles of golde for eue
ry marke of syluer for euery tyme/and e-
uery one that so dothe.

We defende also to al our receyuers
our demaynes of our aydes / rents
and other goods. To the maysters
of our chambres ol treasoury/to the trea-
sourers of our warres and our other of-
fycers of receptes / herein comprysed our
offycers of comptable Justyce/that they
do not receyue/gyue nor also we gold nor
syluer from one to another / for any ma-
ner cause at hyer pryce than we haue
ordeyned. Dy payne of forfeytyn-
ge of a .M. karolus of golde/
and losse of theyr offyces
without euer to
recouer them.

The actes or ordynaunce

And for the more surete of the observa-
cyon of this present ordynaunce/ We
haue ordeyned (that all our offycers in the
townes (other places of our countrees
in these partyes) at the day that the same
is proclayymed. Also the men of lawe of
the sayde townes and other places/to be
present at the sayde proclamacyon. And
that the sayde men of lawe make solem
pne othe vpon the crucyfyxe in the han-
des of the sayde pryncypall offycers of
the sayde places/immyokately to observe
the sayde ordynaunce. And that all the
bourgmaysters/mayres/shyryffs/of our
townes/vyllages/bourghes/and other
lordshyppes at the day of the rehe wyng
of the lawes of the same beside the othes
that they are wont to make by reason of
theyr office/ come to swere solempnely to ob-
serue the sayde ordynaunce of moneyes
or that that We or our successours at the
sayde tyme shall publysshe. And yt they
and euery of them to theyr power to ac-
quyte and behaue themself at the Jndy-
cacyon/condampnacion/punysshement

and correccyon of the transgressours of the sayde ordynaunce / and to the execucyon of the penalties and amendes therto ordeyned after the tenour of the same. On payne yf they fayle to be at the said proclamacyon (yf they be in place where it shal be) & to make othe to the pseruyng of the same / as soon as they be in theyr office echone of a. C. karolus of golde of theyr propre goodes. And on payne that our sayd offycers: and the sayd sheryffes and men of law be neclygent to procede to the indycature & correccyon of the sayd transgressours after that the faulte com to theyr knowlege of pryuacion of theyr offyces without euer to recouer them. And moreouer of. Vi. C. karolus of golde for amendes eche of them of theyr propre goodes without delay or grace.

Also for our offycers of receyte & Iustyce of audytours of our countrees and lordshyppes / We ordeyne that within .xv. dayes after the proclamacyon of the sayde ordynaunce at the fertheste they

make solempne othe for kepynge of the same in the handes of our audytours be-fore whom they are bounde to accompte. And yf they be ferre of / they may make the sayde othe in the handes of the chyef Justyce of accõptes. And the sayd othes made the clerkes of the courtes of Justy ce therof shall make a regystre.

We ordeyne also that all oure offy-cers echone in the lymytes of theyr Jurysdyccion / and the generalles of our moneyes and euery of them in all our countrees & lordshyhppes to enquere dylygently of the frate and doyng of oue subgectes / and other resydent and cõuer-syng in our sayd coũtrees: & yf they kepe the sayd ordynaunce or not. And yt they may the more easely com to the knowle ge of the same: We haue gyuẽ thẽ cõmys syon / power / auctoryte / & cõmaũdemẽt / & specyally by these pẽtes syngulerly to our sayd offycers to enquere / & examyn by othe & fayth al them whom they wyl yf they knowe any that hathe offended

(in theyr iurysdyccyons) agaynst this or dynaunce. And We cõmaunde all them that ben inquyred to telle the trouth/ On payne of an. C. karolus of golde eche of them/ or of other arbytrary payn. Wherey nynge our offycers echeone in his Juris dyccyon to procede agaynst the offenders in the penalties ordeyned. And that the generalles of the moneyes reporte vnto Vs of the offences that they fynde/ or to our moste dere and tyght welbeloued su ster the quene: or to our sayd chyef & men of our pryue counceyll & of our fynaun ces to pourueye therin as it behoueth.

And that the sayd penalties aboue de clared be dystrybuted/ the thyrde par te to our profyte / one thyrde parte to the accuser/ and the other thyrde to the profy te of the offycer that dylygẽtly executeth the sayd penaltie. And the said penalties We Wyll & ordeyne to be executed precy sely any opposycyon or appellacyon ma de or to be made not withstanding. And yf any of the trãsgressours appele or op

pose fro execucyon of the sayd penalties We ordeyne to the chyef presedent & men of our pryue and hye counceyll / & to our chauncellet & men of our sayd counceyll in brabant/and to all offycers and men of lawe of the sayd coũtree/and other in knowlege therof eche in theyr degre that they agre not to the sayd appeales letters of releyf nor other prouysyon conteynynge clauses of inhybycyon.

And for bycause that none shall pretẽde ygnouraũce in our sayd ordynaũce and edyct/ We wyll that it be proclaymed in all our townes and other places of our sayd coũtree of Brabant / Where as proclamacyons are vsed to be made the.xv.day of the next moneth of Nouẽbre. And from that tyme forewarde euery.vi. monethes withoute interrupcyon tyll by vs be otherwyse ordeyned. And that the copyes in good legyble lettres be fastened to the gates and other places of the sayd townes & churches of the sayde coũtrees. ¶ And also that the copyes of

the Instruccyons gyuen by the generall
les to the exchaunges of the sayde coun
trees be i lyke wyse tacked about the pla
ce where as they abyde. Our ordynaūce
made in the yere. &. B.C. and. xx. to en
sure i the feates of money: wherof is spo
ken afore with the surplus / in all poyn
tes and artycles / the whiche by this pre
sent acte is not expressely derogate in the
hole. And we gyue you in cōmaūdemēt
and ryght expressely ordeyne and cōmyt
by these presentes that our sayd presēt or
dynaūce in all poyntes and artycles ye
cause to publysshe the sayde. x. B. daye of
Nouembre nexte cōmyng e in all the pla
ces of youre Jurysdyccyons / where as
proclamacyōs ben vsed to be done. And
the foresayd ordynaunce of the yere. &.
B.C. &. xx. in all poynts and artycles to
the whiche by these is not expressely dero
gate as is aforesayd ye preserue / kepe / &
obserue / and cause to be preserued / kept &
observed in the maner called inuiolably
And for the same procede & cause to pro
cede agaynst the transgressoures of the

The actes or ordynaunce
sayde ordynaunces by execucyon of the
penalties therin apposed really in dede
Without delay/symulacyon/or forberyn
ge any opposycyon/or appellacyon ma;
de or to be made not Withstandynge.
This for to do / and that theron depen;
deth/We gyue you and your substytutes
cõmytted full power/auctorite/and cõ;
maũdemẽt specyall. And by these same
We cõmaunde expressely all our Justy;
ces / offycers and subgectes that seeth
this and to euery of them in theyr degre/
and as to hym appertayneth in this do;
ynge/ye obey and intende dylygentlye/
for it is our pleasure. ¶ Gyuen in our
towne of Bruxelles Vnder our coũ
tre seale hereto put in placarde: the.
Vii. day of the moneth of octobre.
The yere of our Lorde. M. D.
L. xxxi. Thus subscrybed.
By the Emperour in
his counceyll. And sygned
of the secretarye
Dubleul.

of the Emperour. Folio.xliiii.

¶ Semblable ordynaunces by his mageste haue ben eppedyed and proclaymed in Flaundres/in Artoys/in Haynaw/in Luxembourg/in Namur/in Hollande/zellande/Fryse/Vtrecht/in Dueryssell/and other countrees in these partyes.

¶ Imprynted by me Robert wyer, dwellynge at the syngne of saynt Johñ Euãngelyst/ i saynt Martyns paryshe in the bysshop of Norwytches rentes beside charynge Crosse.

ROBERT WYER